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Dear Colonel Rudolf:

I was very pleased to see in last night's paper that you have been given a Commandership in the new Order of the British Empire. This will be I know in recognition of the long work you have done since the opening of the war, and I am sure that it is well deserved. After the recognition that was given to our McGill friends last week this comes very opportunely to the University of Toronto, and I know that I can congratulate you in the name of the University. I hope that you will have many years to enjoy this royal recognition. Please congratulate Mrs. Rudolf for me and I know that my wife would join me in kind regards both to Mrs. Rudolf and yourself.

I had quite a long letter from you some time ago, and since then a good many things have happened. You gave me interesting information about our Hospital at Basingstoke. Quite a number of men have visited us since who have seen Basingstoke and they all speak in the highest terms of the opportunities given for good medical service, and also of the favour in which Colonel Hendry is held by his staff. We are hoping that he may be granted leave to come out at the end of January in order to discuss with us in person several matters relating to the Hospital.

About a fortnight ago Miss Cullis arrived and has begun her work in Physiology. She is to lecture during this term. It was very good of her to come out and it relieves our situation because

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there was a good deal of complaint brewing at the lack of teaching and oversight in Physiology. I hope that she will enjoy her visit. So far the weather has been extremely severe and she is learning what a genuine but rare Canadian winter may be.

I am glad that we are likely to get Professor J. J. R. Macleod of Cleveland to take our chair in Physiology beginning with the next term. To-day we are having a lecture from Professor Brailsford Robertson of the Department of Biochemistry in the University of California. You may know him by reputation. Though by birth a Scot he was educated in Australia, and has been about twelve years in California. So far he has made a very good impression. We are considering his name in connection with the vacancy created by Macallum's appointment to Ottawa.

The first year in Medicine is very large, about 170. Men qualified in this year for military service are liable to be taken; exemption is given to medical students of the second, third, fourth, and fifth years, and meantime they are given military instruction. In the other Faculties of the University the attendance of men is very small.

You will have heard that the Royal Flying Corps has its headquarters in the University. We have handed over to them most of the old School of Science Building, the residences and Dining Hall. They have also a large part of Wycliffe and some of Burwash Hall.

You will have been sorry to hear of the death of young MacLennan. He was a happy boy that summer that we saw him up at Muskoka running his motor boat. I have not seen his father and

mother since, but these terrible sacrifices are being made constantly.

When you see Primrose will you tell him that I had a letter from him a little while ago and will write him by and by? I suppose that you continue your work together.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.